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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Douglas T. Hamer) Docket No.: 33185-001

Serial No.: 10/725,786) Examiner: David S. Hwu

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Entitled: Novelty Beverage Straw)
Customer No.: 000046591

RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CRF 1.116

Commissioner for Patents Non-Fee Response P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 21 October 2005, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning at page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 4 of this paper.